

Lobster & Crab Harvesting 2006

Apprentice / Student Application

This form may be used to apply for or renew licenses. Please provide all information requested. Delays may result from incomplete applications.



Part A: Applicant Information

Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City: _____, State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Telephone: _____ Birthdate: _____
Weight: _____ Height: _____ Sex: _____ Social Security #: _____
Hair Color: _____ Eye Color: _____
E-mail Address: _____
Maine Drivers License # _____
(If you have no drivers license, see back of form for requirements. If you are under 18, you **must** list parents drivers license #. If no license, explain why on the line below.)

Part B: Fishery Information

License Jan. 1, 2006 to Dec. 31, 2006
License fees are non-refundable.

		Fees
Apprentice under age 18	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ 56.00
Apprentice age 18 and over	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ 114.00
Apprentice over age 70	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ 56.00
Student under age 23	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ 56.00

(If 18 or older must show proof of being a full-time student)

Declared Zone (A-G) Zone _____
(You **must** declare one zone in which you fish the majority of your lobster traps)

Zone(s) in which you intend to fish
A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐
(You may not place any traps in a zone not selected above. You must fish a majority of traps in your declared zone).

Trap Tags (Students only)
Number of trap tags _____ at \$0.30 each \$ _____
(All traps in use must be tagged. Student trap tag limit is 150. Allow up to 3 weeks for delivery.)
(Students only)

Buoy Color Pattern _____

(Students and Apprentices) You must have at least one sponsor

Sponsor #1 License Number _____
Name _____
Boat Reg. Or Doc. Number _____
Boat Name _____
Declared Zone _____
Sponsor Signature _____

Sponsor #2 License Number _____
Name _____
Boat Reg. Or Doc. Number _____
Boat Name _____
Declared Zone _____
Sponsor Signature _____

Sponsor #3 License Number _____
Name _____
Boat Reg. Or Doc. Number _____
Boat Name _____
Declared Zone _____
Sponsor Signature _____

Part C: Supplemental Information

Fill out all information completely. False statements or misrepresentations will result in the revocation of the license and prosecution in Court. Students list boat(s) **you** will be using to fish your tags.

LOBSTER LICENSE NUMBER _____

Vessel 1: Boat Registration # / Doc # _____

Boat Owner's Name _____

Boat Length _____ Boat Name _____

Town of Primary Anchorage _____

Number of trap tags fished from this boat _____

Vessel 2: Boat Registration # / Doc # _____

Boat Owner's Name _____

Boat Length _____ Boat Name _____

Town of Primary Anchorage _____

Number of trap tags fished from this boat _____

(Tags must be designated to a specific boat, owner has priority over tag limits for boat, undesignated tags will be unregistered and not be used to fish. If over boat limit for tags, explain why.)

Part D: Certification

I hereby declare, under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Maine and the United States of America that the foregoing information is true and correct and, if applying for a resident license, that I have read and understood the residency requirements listed on the back of this form and meet those requirements.

Today's Date ____/____/____
Month Day Year

Applicant _____
(Signature of applicant)

Parent or Guardian _____

(Applicants under 18 must have a parent or legal guardian who also meets the residency requirements sign this form)

Under Title 12, §6306, signature of applicant authorizes inspection by Law Enforcement Officers. Application on its face indicates compliance with statutory criteria.

Instructions:

Complete the information in **Part A** on the front of this form. Check all licenses requested in **Part B** and calculate the total fees. Fill out all applicable information in **Part C**. Read the **residency requirements** included on this document and **certify your application with your signature in Part D**. Enclose this document in an envelope along with a check or money order payable to **Treasurer, State of Maine** or fill out the section below for **credit card payment**, affix a stamp and put it in the mail. **We cannot accept applications by fax or phone**. If you have any questions call (207) 624-6550.

Check us out on the web! www.maine.gov/dmr

*Mail to:
Licensing Division
Department of Marine Resources
21 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333*

Residency Requirements: Any individual who has been domiciled in Maine for the past 6 months preceding the date of application is eligible for a resident license. A corporation is eligible for a resident license if it has been created and exists under the laws of Maine and it has existed in Maine for 6 months preceding the date of application. A firm or partnership is eligible if all of its officers or partners have been domiciled in Maine for 6 months preceding the date of application. For the purposes of this license application, a resident is a person who:

- A. If registered to vote, is registered in Maine;
- B. If licensed to drive a motor vehicle, has made application for a Maine motor vehicle operator's license;
- C. If the owner of one or more motor vehicles located within the State, has registered at least one of the motor vehicles in Maine; and
- D. If required to file a Maine income tax return on the previous April 15th, filed a Maine income tax return.

Credit Card Payment: I authorize the State of Maine, Department of Marine Resources, Licensing

Division, to charge my VISA ☐ Mastercard ☐ Discover ☐ Card No. _____

In the Amount of \$_____, expiration date _____

Signed by cardholder _____ date _____

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Completing Your Logsheet

- Log your fishing day and have it signed by your sponsor(s).
- You may have up to three sponsors. You may keep a separate logsheet for each sponsor.
- Keep the logsheets in your possession. If something happens to your logsheet, gets misplaced on the boat, etc. you will have nothing to help you document your time.
- You must complete all information on the logsheet.

Completed log sheets must be signed by your local Marine Patrol every 250 hours and received by the License Eligibility Specialist within 30 days of the date the 250th hour was logged.

- Failure to submit within 30 days will result in your documented time not being counted.
- When requesting a Marine Patrol Officer's signature, you must present your apprentice or student license with the completed logsheet.
- Please submit logsheets, signed by Marine Patrol, as they become complete to:

License Eligibility Specialist, Department of Marine Resources, 21 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333-0021.

- Keep the yellow copy.
- **Do not wait until you have completed all 1,000 hours, 200 days because the time will not count towards the apprentice program.**
- Please call the Licensing Division to request additional logsheets at 624-6550. The logsheets may also be downloaded from <http://www.maine.gov/>

dmr/pamphlets/apprenticelog.pdf

What are the responsibilities of the sponsor of a lobster apprentice?

- The primary purpose of the Lobster Apprentice Program is to ensure that the people entering the fishery understand their responsibilities to the resource and to other fishermen. The Sponsor is looked upon as the individual who will teach the apprentice good fishing practices, local fishing conditions and current laws and regulations.
- Sponsors must purchase their license prior to the apprentice or student being allowed to name that sponsor on his/her license application.
- Sponsors must initial the logsheet daily to certify that the apprentice or student license holder has gained experience. This includes the knowledge of a student fishing his/her own traps. **Please note your license may be suspended for falsification of records if you sign documented time that has not been fished.**
- Sponsors should encourage the apprentice to maintain and keep his/her own logsheets complete and up-to-date.
- Zones C, E & F sponsors shall have held a Class I, II, or III lobster and crab fishing license for at least 5 years to sponsor an apprentice/student license holder in Zone C, E & F.

What happens once my time is documented and completed?

- You must fill out a Zone Declaration Form to declare the lobster zone you wish to fish the majority of your traps (51%).
- If you're in zone C, you may fill out a commercial license application and purchase a commercial lobster license and up to 300 trap tags for that zone.
- If your zone is a "limited-entry" zone, you will be placed on the waiting list for that zone based on your eligibility date. *If you complete the program prior to turning 18, you do not need to go on a waiting list and you may purchase an under 18 commercial lobster license.*

Maine Lobster Apprenticeship Program



**21 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333-0021
(207) 624-6550**

**Marine Patrol
(207) 624-6571
Division I – (207) 633-9595
Division II – (207) 667-3373**

**License Eligibility Specialist
(207) 624-6549**

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This brochure is designed to answer frequently asked questions pertaining to obtaining a Commercial Lobster and Crab harvesting license. If you have any further questions, please contact the License Eligibility Specialist at the telephone number on the cover.

How do I obtain a Commercial Lobster and Crab harvesting license?

To obtain a Commercial Lobster and Crab harvesting license you must enter the apprentice program. You may enter the apprentice program by purchasing an apprentice license or student license providing you are eligible for a student license. **Effective March 24, 2003** - The apprentice program consists of a minimum of two years, documenting 1,000 hours, 200 fishing days with up to three sponsors. Any day logged consisting of at least 1 hour may be counted toward the apprentice program. Apprentice and student license holders will be given credit for 1 day for every entry made on their log sheet towards the 200 days.

Zones C, E & F apprentices may only enter Zone C, E or F if the apprentice apprenticed in Zone C, E or F. The Zone C, E or F sponsor must have held a Class I, II or III lobster and crab fishing license for at least 5 years.

What is the difference between an Apprentice license and a Student license?

- You must be a full-time student under age 23 in order to purchase a student license.
- If you are age 18 and over you must provide DMR with verification of your full-time high school or college enrollment.
- Students can purchase the following amount of tags:
 - 8 – 10 – up to 10 tags
 - 11 – 13 – up to 50 tags
 - 14 – 22 – up to 150 tags.
- Students may document fishing days while fishing their own traps as well as time fishing with their sponsor(s). However, your sponsor(s) must be aware of the time you are fishing your own traps and must sign your logsheets.
- A student and under 18 apprentice license both cost \$56.00; an apprentice license for age 18 and over is \$114.00.
- **Falsification of records may result in license suspension or ability to obtain a commercial lobster license.**

NOTE: On your initial commercial license year you are allowed to purchase 300 tags. You may only purchase 100 additional tags the following year, i.e. if you choose to purchase 100 tags your initial license year, the following year you are only allowed 200 tags.

What are the responsibilities of an Apprentice or Student license holder?

- You must purchase an apprentice or student license **each year** you intend to document time.
- Be sure to obtain an apprentice or student license **prior** to documenting time. Do not document time without a license, as it will not be counted towards the apprentice program.
- Your sponsor must have a current commercial license prior to your obtaining a student or apprentice license.
- **You may document up to 200 hours (20%) gear time of the entire 1000 hours. Gear time does not include boat repairs.**
- Your apprenticeship start date begins on the first fishing or gear day documented with an apprentice or student license.
- The two-year time period, 200 logged days and 1,000 hours must be satisfied to complete the lobster apprenticeship program.
- If a person has finished 200 logged days (1,000 hours), then their eligibility date is the 24 months from the first documented fishing day.
- If a person has been in the program for over 24 months from the first documented fishing day, then the eligibility date is the date the Department receives the completed logs.

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